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SYMBOL READER SUPPORTING NARROW-AREA AND WIDE-AREA MODES OF ILLUMINATION AND IMAGE

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Honorable Commissioner

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Washington, D.C. 20231

# **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced Patent Application, please amend the same as follows:

## AMENDMENT OF THE TITLE TO INVENTION:

Please amend the Title to Invention to read as follows:

--HAND-SUPPORTABLE DIGITAL IMAGING-BASED BAR CODE SYMBOL READER SUPPORTING NARROW-AREA AND WIDE-AREA MODES OF ILLUMINATION AND IMAGE CAPTURE--

# <u>AMENDMENT OF THE SPECIFICATION:</u>

Please amend the Specification as follows:

On Page 23, amend the fourth paragraph as follows:

Fig. 7C is Figs. 7C1 and 7C2 set forth a schematic diagram of a hybrid analog/digital circuit designed to implement the Automatic Light Exposure Measurement and Illumination Control Subsystem of Fig. 7B employed in the hand-supportable Digital Imaging-Based Bar Code Symbol Reading Device of the present invention;